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SUBJECT:U.S. GRAIN ALLOCATIONS FOR THE SAHEL PRE-1974

HARVEST PERIOD

PARIS FOR HELMAN; ROME FOR FODAG; EC BRUSSELS FOR MARTIN

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1. AS ANNOUNCED REFTEL, THE US IS MAKING AVAILABLE 100,000 MT OF GRAINS AND PROTECTVE FOODS TO THE SAHEL TO HELP MEET FOOD REQUIREMENTS IN THE 1974 PRE AND IMMEDIATE POST-HARVEST PERIOD (SEPTEMBER-DECEMBER 1974). 40,000 MT OF THIS AMOUNT IS TO BE COUNTED AS PART OF THE USG 1973/74 CROP YEAR PLEDGE, AND THE REMAINING 60,000 MT AS THE FIRST INCREMENT OF THE USG 1974/75 CROP YEAR PLEDGE. THIS FOOD, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE ICSM BEING PROVIDED THROUGH UNICEF, IS BEING PROVIDED ON A BI-LATERAL BASIS. CONTRIBUTIONS THROUGH WFP MAY BE PROVIDED THROUGH LATER ALLOCATIONS. AN EVALUATIO OF LATER SAHEL 1974/75 CROP YEAR NEEDS AND FUTURE USG CONTRIBUTIONS WILL BE MADE SUBSEQUENT TO THE NEXT FAO MULTI-DONOR MISSION ASSESSMENT. THIS MESSAGE PROVIDES ADDITIONAL DETAIL CONCERNING SPECIFIC COUNTRY ALLOCATIONS AND INFORMATION ON PROTECTIVE FOODS AND SHIPPING SCHEDULES.

INDIVIDUAL COUNTRY ALLOCATIONS HAVE BEEN BASED PRIMARILY UNCLASSIFIED

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ON AMEMBASSY REPORTS AND MATERIAL PROVIDED BY FAO/OSRO. CROP YEAR 1973/74 AND 1974/75 ALLOCATIONS ARE SEPARATED FOR ACCOUNTING PURPOSES. HOWEVER, SHIPPING OF THESE TWO ALLOCATIONS MAY OVERLAP.

2. PROTECTIVE FOODS - USG IS PARTICULARLY CONCERNED WITH NEEDS FOR PROTECTIVE FOODS AND IS INCREASING ITS DONATIONS THESE COMMODITIES. USG HAS PLEDGED 22,800 MT

OF ICSM (INSTANT CORN-SOY-MILK) TO UNICEF FOR EMERGENCY RELIEF IN THE SAHEL IN FY 1975 (JULY 1975-JUNE 1975). THIS PLEDGE WILL BE COUNTED AGAINST THE USG FY 1975 EMERGENCY ALLOCATIONS TO THE SAHEL. OF THE CURRENT 100,000 MT BEING PROVIDED TO THE SAHEL, 7,600 MT OF ICSM (7,300 GRAIN EQUIVALENT) IS BEING PROVIDED THROUGH UNICEF. WE ARE ALSO PROVIDING SOY FORTIFIED SORGHUM GRITS (SFG) AND CORN SOY BLEND (CSB) TO MALI AND MAURITANIA AND SFG TO NIGER. WE ARE PREPARED TO MAKE AVAILABLE ADDITIONAL AMOUNTS OF THESE FOODS TO THOSE NATIONS AS WELL AS THE OTHER SAHEL COUNTRIES. INTEREST IN SFG AND CSB SHOULD BE TRANSMITTED AID/W ASAP SINCE TWO MONTHS LEAD TIME IS NEEDED FOR ORDERING THESE COMMODITIES.

3. SHIPPING - SOME OF THE PROTECTIVE FOODS AND THE 1,500 MT OF SORGHUM BEING PROVIDED NIGER VIA ALGERIA HAVE ALREADY BEEN BOOKED FOR AUGUST/SEPTEMBER DELIVERY. POSTS HAVE BEEN ADVISED ETA BY EARLIER SEPTELS. THE REMAINDER OF SORGHUM SHIPMENTS TO THE SAHEL WILL BEGIN IN EARLY SEPTEMBER WITH ARRIVAL IN PORT 3-4 WEEKS LATER. SHIPMENT WILL CONTINUE THROUGH NOVEMBER/DECEMBER. FURTHER DETAILS ARE SHOWN UNDER COUNTRY ALLOCATION (PARA 4, BELOW). WILL ADVISE SPECIFIC ETAS WHEN KNOWN.

4. COUNTRY ALLOCATIONS - ALLOCATIONS BY COUNTRY ARE SHOWN BELOW. NOTE THE USE OF GRAIN EQUIVALENCIES FOR PROTECTIVE FOODS. THERE MAY BE VARIATIONS BETWEEN ACTUAL SHIPMENTS AND ALLOCATIONS TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT OVERAGES AND UNDERAGES REMAINING FROM FY 1974 SHIPMENTS. ALLOCATIONS BY COUNTRY ARE AS FOLLOWS: (LETTER A. IS CROP YEAR 1973/74 ALLOCATION; LETTER B. IS CY 1974/75 ALLOCATION.)

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SENEGAL - 5,000 MT

A. 0

B. SORGHUM 4,359; ICSM 667 (641 GRAIN EQUIVALENT)

THIS FOOD IS BEING MADE AVAILABLE PRIMARILY TO ASSIST SENEGAL BUFFER STOCK DEVELOPMENT. SORGHUM TENTATIVELY PROGRAMMED SHIPMENT LATE FALL DAKAR.

MAURITANIA - 20,000 MT

A. 4,734 SORGHUM; 667 ICSM (641 GE); 2,000 CSB (2,500 GE)

2,500 SFG (2,125 GE)

B. 10,000 SORGHUM

ALLOTMENT IS TO ASSIST IN MEETING CURRENT EMERGENCY NEEDS AND BUFFER STOCK DEVELOPMENT. SORGHUM TO BE SHIPPED VIA

DAKAR AT APPROXIMATE RATE OF 3-4,000 MT EVERY TWO WEEKS BEGINNING EARLY SEPTEMBER. PROTECTIVE FOODS WILL BE SHIPPED IN SMALLER QUANTITIES VIA DAKAR DURING THIS PERIOD.

MALI - 20,000 MT

A. 5,000 SORGHUM; 1,667 ICSM (1,601 GE); 2,000 CSB (2,500 GE); 2,500 SFG (2,15 GE)

?. 8,774 SORGHUM

IN ORDER MEET MALI EMERGENCY AND BUFFER STOCK NEEDS, WE PLANNING BI-WEEKLY SORGHUM BULK SHIPMENTS OF 3-4,000 MT VIA ABIDJAN BEGINNING EARLY SEPTEMBER. SOME OF THIS SHOULD BE SENT TO GAO FOR SUPPLY 6TH REGION. SOE SORGHUM MAY BE BOOKED DAKAR TOWARDS END OF PERIOD DEPENDENT ON PORT CONDITIONS. BAGGED SORGHUM AT A RATE OF APPROXIMATELY 2,000 MT A MONTH WILL BE SENT TO GAO VIA COTONOU. AID/W IS ALSO INVESTIGATING USE OF LIBERIAN AND GUINEAN PORTS. PROTECTIVE FOODS WILL BE SHIPPED VIA ABIDJAN IN SMALLER INCREMENTS DURING THIS PERIOD.

NIGER - 25,000 MT

A. 10,000 SORGHUM; 2,000 ICSM (1,921 GE); 2,500 SFG (2,125 GE)

B. 10,954 SORGHUM

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SORGHUM FOR NIGER PLANNED FOR BULK SHIPMENT VIA APAPA IN 3-4,000 MT INCREMENTS BEGINNING EARLY SEPTEMBER. SOME USE HAS BEEN MADE OF COTONOU FOR SUPPLY WESTERN NIGER. AID/W IS CONSIDERING SHIPPING CARGO THIS AREA IN BULK TO APAPA, BAGGED THERE, THEN TRANSHIPPED COTONOU FOR WESTERN NIGER AND 6TH REGION MALI. IF COST THIS OPERATION LESS THAN DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SHIPPING BULK AND BAGGED CARGO FROM THE US, AID/W WOULD CONSIDER FINANCING COSTS BAGGING AND TRANSHIPMENT. PROTECTIVE FOODS WILL BE SHIPPED VIA APAPA AND COTONOU IN SMALLER INCREMENTS DURING THIS PERIOD.

ACTION REQUESTED - AMEMBASSY NIAMEY, LAGOS, COTONOU: WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR ASSESSMENT ABOVE.

UPPER VOLTA - 5,000 MT

A. 2,000 ICSM (1,921 GE)

B. 3,079 SORGHUM

ALLOCATION, PRIMARILY INTENDED TO HELP UPPER VOLTA BUFFER STOCK DEVELOPMENT, WILL BE BOOKED VIA TEMA OR LOME IN LATTER PART OF FALL. ICSM WILL CONTINUE TO BE SHIPPED

VIA ABIDJAN.

CHAD - 5,000 MT

A. 2,000 ICSM (1,921 GE)

B. 3,079 SORGHUM

ALTHOUGH AID/W AWARE CHAD'S TOTAL REQUIREMENT, IN VIEW OF CONTINUING INTERNAL DISTRIBUTION PROBLEMS, PLUS FACT THAT IN SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER CHAD WILL RECEIVE REPAYMENT ON THE 5,500 MT EARLIER DIVERTED NIGER, WE ARE LIMITING PRESENT COMMITMENT TO 5,000 MT. IF INTERNAL TRANSPORTATION SITUATION IMPROVES AND CHAD HAS NEED ADDITIONAL GRAIN, WE WILL CONSIDER ADDITIONAL ALLOCATIONS FROM REGIONAL RESERVE. SORGHUM WILL BE SHIPPED VIA APAPA, ICSM VIA DOUALA.

GAMBIA - 2,500 MT

A. 133 ICSM (128 GE); 2,372 SORGHUM

B. 0

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THE USG IS PROVIDING 2,500 MT TO GAMBIA AS REQUESTED BY GOTG OF US IN FY 1974. WILL BE SHIPPED DIRECT TO BANJUL OR TO DAKAR FOR TRANSHIPMENT BANJUL.

GUINEA - 8,000 MT

A. 0

B. 8,000 SORGHUM

IN LNE WITH RECOMMENDATIONS OF TDY TEAM WHICH VISITED GUINEA LAST SPRING, WE ARE ALLOCATING 8,000 MT TO GUINEA. WE TENTATIVELY PLAN TO PROVIDE SORGHUM, BUT CAN SUBSTITUTE SFG AND CSB IF GOG DESIRES. IF THERE STRONG PREFERENCE FOR CORN OVER SORGHUM, WE CAN TRY TO PROVIDE SOME CORN, ALTHOUGH THIS MAY PROVE DIFFICULT IN VIEW CURRENT US AVAILABILITIES.

REGIONAL ALLOCATION - 9,500 MT

THIS HAS BEEN SET ASIDE TO MEET EMERGENCY NEEDS OF THE ABOVE COUNTRIES, AS WELL AS PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN SMALL NEEDS OF COUNTRIES ON THE PERIPHERY OF THE SAHEL WHICH

MAY ARISE.

ACTION REQUESTED - AMEMBASSIES DAKAR, NOUAKCHOTT, BAMAKO, NIAMEY, OUAGADOUGOU, NDJAMENA, BANJUL, CONAKRY: ADVISE GOVERNMENTS RECIPIENT NATIONS THESE ALLOCATIONS AND ADVISE AID/W ANY COMMENTS RE ALLOCATIONS AND TIMING

SHIPMENTS.

5. US MISSION/EC BRUSSELS: FYI IN MID-JULY MEETING
WITH AID ADMINISTRATOR PARKER, FED, REPRESENTED BY CHAY-
SSONS, INDICATED IT INTENDED PURSUE EARLY ACTION ON NEW
COMMITMENTS FOR THE SAHEL. US/EC, IN ADVISING FED OF
COUNTRY ALLOCATIONS, MAY WISH REFER THOSE WASHINGTON
DISCUSSIONS IN ORDER HELP DETERMINE SPECIFIC CHARACTER
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